

Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2023

Remarks in an Exchange With Reporters in El Paso, Texas

January 8, 2023

Border Security

Q. Mr. President, what have you learned at the border today?

The President. They need a lot of resources, and we're going to get it for them.

Q. What about Mr. Abbott's letter? Any response to Mr. Abbott's letter?

[At this point, several reporters spoke at once.]

Q. What about Bolsonaro?

Governor Gregory W. Abbott of Texas

Q. Do you have any response to Governor Abbott's letter that he handed to you?

The President. I didn't get a chance to read it yet. I haven't read it yet. I'm——

Attacks on Government Buildings in Brasilia, Brazil

Q. What about Bolsonaro?

Q. Any reaction to what's going on in Brazil?

The President. Yes.

Q. What's your response?

The President. It's outrageous.

NOTE: The President spoke at 2:51 p.m. during a tour of the border wall between El Paso, TX, and Juarez, Mexico. A reporter referred to former President Jair Messias Bolsonaro of Brazil.

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